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Dear Mr. Meadors:

This is a final response to your 25 June 2012 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 25 June 2012, for a re-review of the following document entitled: ***"Prospects for Political Ambitions of Moshe Dayan/Attack on USS Liberty Ordered by Dayan."*** We have assigned your request the reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding so that we can identify it easily.

We have accepted your request and processed it in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 431, as amended. Our processing included a search for records up to and including the date the Agency started its search. We located and completed a thorough re-review of the document, consisting of one page, which we can release to you in segregable form with deletions made on the basis of FOIA exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3). Exemption (b)(3) pertains to information exempt from disclosure by statute. The relevant statute is the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, 50 U.S.C. § 403, as amended, e.g., Section 6, which exempts from the disclosure requirement information pertaining to the organization, functions, including those related to the protection of intelligence sources and methods, names, official titles, salaries, and numbers of personnel employed by the Agency. A copy of the document and an explanation of exemptions are enclosed. As the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 45 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michele Meeks".

Michele Meeks
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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1. I recently returned from Tel Aviv where I visited with [redacted] friends. Our discussions included the future political role of Moshe Dayan. These people said that the longer Israel waits for elections, the less chance Dayan has of becoming Prime Minister. They recognize that Dayan's appointment as Minister of Defense provided impetus to the Israel war effort. Since the war, responsible Israelis have given and continue to give less credit to Dayan and more credit to General Rabin. My Israeli friends also are emphatic in saying that there will never be a negotiated peace with the Arabs so long as Dayan is Defense Minister.
2. My friends commented on the sinking of the US communications ship, Liberty. They said that Dayan personally ordered the attack on the ship and that one of his generals adamantly opposed the action and said, "This is pure murder." One of the admirals who was present also disapproved the action, and it was he who ordered it stopped and not Dayan. My friends believe that the attack against the US vessel is also detrimental to any political ambition Dayan may have.

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